REMARKS

The objection to claim 25 is removed by replacing the colon with a semicolon. The objections to claims 21-22, 26, and 28-31 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph are removed by the claim amendments suggested by the Examiner and contained herein.

If any remaining Section 112, second paragraph objections remain, a telephone interview is suggested since Applicant is willing to discuss any changes suggested by the Examiner to avoid the Section 112, second paragraph problems.

All claims in the case are now allowable.

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